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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR LINKING FIRMWARE MODULES IN A PRE-MEMORY EXECUTION ENVIRONMENT

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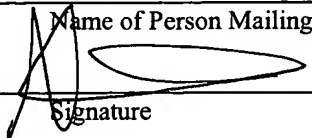
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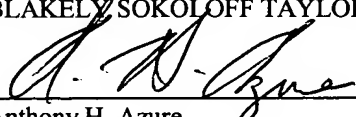
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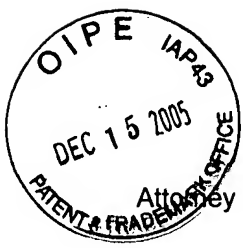
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Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed November 16, 2005, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the following reply. This reply includes a response to a double patenting rejection mistakenly omitted from the Applicants' previous reply mailed on October 14, 2005.